EVENTS	DATES
Secretary (Disinvestment) replied to SDM, Korba with reference to the Show Cause Notice.	18th April, 2001
Union of India (DoD) filed three counter affidavits in the Supreme Court with reference to the three writ petitions.	23rd April, 2001
Three-judge bench of the Supreme Court heard the BALCO case. The court expressed the hope that the BALCO plant will resume functioning soon. The management agreed to pay two months salary to the workers as advance.	1st May, 2001
Supreme Court hear the BALCO disinvestment case.	8th May, 2001
Memorandum of Understanding signed between the management and the workers.	8th May, 2001
BALCO workers strike called off.	9th May, 2001
Meetings of the Inter-Ministerial Group (IMG) held.	3.8.98; 20.8.99; 9.12.99; 22.2.2000; 29.5.2000; 12.7.2000; 16.8.2000; 15.9.2000; 11.1.2001; 25.1.2001; 19.2.2001.
Hearing of BALCO disinvestment case to start in Supreme Court.	From 28.8.2001.

Blacklisting of Videocon from bidding for IA

2271. SHRI PRAFUL PATEL:
SHRI SANJAY NIRUPAM:

Will the Minister of DISINVESTMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Videocon has been blacklisted from bidding for Indian Airlines on the basis of a SEBI report; and

(b) if so, the reasons why Hindustan Lever Ltd., which was also convicted by SEBI, allowed to bid for and subsequently to take over Modern Food last year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DISINVESTMENT (SHRI ARUN SHOURIE): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does nor arise.

Completion of disinvestment of BALCO

2272. SHRI SANJAY NIRUPAM:
SHRI PRAFUL PATEL:

Will the Minister of DISINVESTMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the process of disinvestment of BALCO has been completed;

(b) if so, the amount, Government received from Sterlite Company, the purchaser of BALCO, till date;

(c) whether all the workers of BALCO have resumed the work and production has started; and

(d) if so, the details of the production of BALCO after disinvestment and signing of agreement by workers and the new management?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DISINVESTMENT (SHRI ARUN SHOURIE): (a) Disinvestment of 51% equity of BALCO in favour of a strategic partner was completed on 2-3-2001.

(b) Government has received from Sterlite Industries (India) Ltd. Rs. 551.50 crore for 51% stake in BALCO.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The workers of BALCO plant at Korba went on strike from 3-3-2001 and rejoined duty on 9-5-2001.

As per information received from BALCO, the production of the aluminium metal at the plant during the period 1-2-2001 to 9-8-2001 is given below:—

Period	Total production of Aluminium	Average production per day
February 2001	7386 MT	263 MT
3-3-2001 to 8-5-2001	NIL	NIL
9-5-2001 to 14-5-2001	NIL	NIL
15-5-2001 to 31-5-2001	1917 MT	113 MT
June 2001	4951 MT	165 MT
July 2001	6393 MT	206 MT
1-8-2001 to 9-8-2001	1906 MT	212 MT